

Safety, Department of Public (47 O.S. § 2–101)

Agency Code 585 (IA)

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Mission Statement—Working to provide a safe and secure environment for the public through courteous, quality, and professional services.

Administration—Kevin L. Ward, Commissioner of Public Safety, 405/425–2001

Administrative Rules Liaison, David Beatty, 405/425–2024

Drivers License Administration, Pat Crisp, 405/425–2118

General Counsel, Wellon Poe, 405/425–2148

Highway Patrol Chief, Jerry Cason, 405/425–2006

Law Enforcement Telecommunications Systems Division, Gene Thaxton, 405/425–2224

Oklahoma Highway Safety Office, Kaye Statton, 405/523–1570

Public Information Office, Stewart Meyer, 405/425–7709

Records Management, Brenda Christy, 405/2192

Wrecker Services, Gene Fitzpatrick, 405/425–2312

History and Function—The Oklahoma Department of Public Safety is a multi-service safety and law enforcement organization, created by state statute to administer to the protection and needs of Oklahoma citizens including both their personal well-being and their vehicular safety.

Personnel—1,404 classified, 39 unclassified, 48 temporary, merit

Driver’s License Medical Advisory Committee (47 O.S. § 6–118)

The Driver’s License Medical Advisory Committee is composed of seven members appointed by the commissioner of health (2 appointments), the commissioner of public safety (2), the governor (1), the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate (1), and the Speaker of the House of Representatives (1).

Administration—R. LeRoy Carpenter, M.D., Executive Secretary, 405/425–7034

Injury Review Board (47 O.S. § 2–310.1)

Driver’s License Compact (47 O.S. § 781)

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Administration—Kevin L. Ward, Commissioner and Oklahoma Compact Administrator; Clint Dickson, Director, Driver Improvement.

History and Function—Oklahoma enacted legislation in 1967 whereby the state became a member of the Driver’s License Compact; an agreement whereby the various states recognize the laws of other member states relative to the operation of motor vehicles. In effect, the compact provides that Oklahoma, for the purpose of suspension, revocation or limitation of the license to operate a motor vehicle, shall take appropriate action against a driver if he/she is convicted of violating certain laws of other states.